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<p>MAYOR JERRY SANDERS FACT SHEET</p>

**MAYOR INVITES PRIVATE PROPOSALS
ON MIRAMAR LANDFILL**

Mayor says city will explore getting out of the landfill business

Mayor Jerry Sanders said he will explore getting the city out of the landfill business so it can concentrate on core services such as police, firefighting, parks, libraries and street repairs. The mayor will invite the private sector to submit proposals for taking over the Miramar landfill, which the city has operated since 1959.

“By seeking proposals, we’re simply doing what any smart government agency or private business would do: We’re exploring our options,” Sanders said.

The City Council will have final say on whether to accept a particular proposal. In addition to City Council approval, state labor laws will require appropriate meet and confer with labor unions.

City Attorney Jan Goldsmith said selling the landfill “is not outsourcing where the City would contract with a private firm to operate the landfill for the City.”

“Unlike outsourcing, the intent is to sell our assets, relinquish control and completely get out of the landfill business,” Goldsmith said. “If a transaction occurs, I expect it would be similar to San Diego County’s innovative sale of its landfills in 1997.”

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